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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

| AUTOMATIC POOL COVER BOX | LID EDGE SUPPORT ASSEM | BLY | · |
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| the specification of which: | | | |
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| matter of each of the claims of this appl 35, United States Code, §112, I ackno occurred between the filing date of the | lication is not disclosed in the pro- wledge the duty to disclose mate prior application and the nationa November 1, 2000 | ior United States application in the marrial information as defined in Title 3 of or PCT international filing date of the Pending | |
| believed to be true and further that thes or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 application or any patent issued thereon As a named inventor, I here | e statements were made with the of Title 18 of the United States 1. by appoint Todd T. Taylor, Reg Id Jeffrey T. Knapp, Reg. No. 45 | knowledge that willful false statemer Code and that such willful false stater 3. No. 36,945; Ronald K. Aust, Reg. No. 5,384 of the firm of TAYLOR & AU | abandoned) nents made on information and belief are nts and the like so made are punishable by fine ments may jeopardize the validity of the No. 36,735; Keith J. Swedo, Reg. No. 43,176; ST, P.C., as attorney(s)/patent agent(s) to |
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